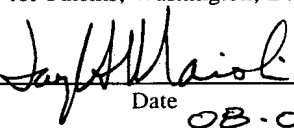


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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Prior to the initial examination of the above-identified application, Applicant respectfully requests that the application be amended as follows:

IN THE ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

Please amend the Abstract of the Disclosure by rewriting same to read as follows:

--An apparatus for recording data in and reproducing data from memory card recording media, each card being shaped like a plate and incorporating a memory. The apparatus includes a

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